# Columbus Crusader

Newsletter of Our Lady of Light Council 10498 in Estero, FL Roman Catholic Brothers in Christ, Chartered in 1990



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Final Edition

Charity

Fraternity

Unity

**Patriotism** 

Grand Knight: Bob Bonza (948-3381) Deputy G.K.: Leon Quesnette (947-9780) Chancellor: John Dinneen (267-3774) Recorder: Tom Owens (454-1564) Treasurer: Gary Krueger (947-1845) Advocate: Tony Cilluffo (390-2897) Warden: Bob Haug (437-1247) Fin. Secretary: Gary Kroeger (992-1165) Inside Guard: Chuck Yelle (947-4399)

Officers for 2008-2009 Fraternal Year Outside Guard: Dave Simmons (221-7734) Chaplain: Fr. Hugh McGuigan (267-7088) Trustee 3 yrs.: Derrick Kahl (225-1409) Trustee 2 yrs.: Dave Williams (432-9446) Trustee 1 yr.: Pat Becker (948-7534) Lecturer: Pat Fortuna (498-6836) Field Agent: Henry Rampone (415-5495) District Deputy: Dave Erickson (267-1418)

## **General Membership Meetings:**

1st Thursday of each month 7:30 PM Business, 8:30 PM Social at the Parish Center of Our Lady of Light Catholic Community.

## From the Grand Knight:



After three and one half years in our council, one each as Chancellor, Deputy Grand Knight and one and one half years as your Grand Knight, I felt it was time to open the positions to other, "up and coming", active Knights and Sir Knights.

We have come a long way in those years!

Now, our four committees fulfill the various desires of the Knights who today have a real say in what the council is doing and going to do.

Our motto "ONE KNIGHT FOR

ONE JOB OR DUTY", keeps the work spread out where everyone gets a chance to at least take part in one thing, using his expertise, instead of sitting at home or on the sidelines. These and other new innovations have, in my mind, given new direction to those coming after us, and will inspire, perhaps, an untried activity or event. We all need to nurture these ideas, and to help our council grow in Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

What better way, then, to open up new positions and avenues to our next generation of Knights.

It is not as though we will disappear, but rather that we can now concentrate on greater outlets for our council, with the eagerness and fresh ideas of all of our new members, and those of our fellow Knights and Sir Knights moving up or sharing in the ranks.

I am very proud of each one of you, and come away a better man for having known and worked with you up to now! Please keep my "fire" burning, and let me see all of those wonderful, fulfilling and all encompassing feats that you will perform now in my stead.

Please keep me in your thoughts and prayers and know that I will continue to aid and develop council 10498 in my new position as simply a general member sitting somewhere in the back.

A note about the outcome of the "Charities Committee" meeting this month.

The Handicap Drive money coupled with other monies from our general budget, amounted to over \$16,000.00 donated by our council to our many charities including, Gabriel House, the Homeless Vets of Lee County, the Society of St. Vincent De Paul, Our Mother's Home, the Candle Light Foundation, two Scholarship Funds, and The Catholic Faith Appeal, for starters.

Other monies will include The Special Olympics, The Equestrians, a special wheelchair for a young girl without legs, Respect Respect for Life, K of C Member Assistance, and more.

The total amount that will be donated by the end of the year is a staggering figure, only made possible by the many works, activities, and events of the Knights, not to forget the many, many man hours and dedication of the Knights and families of our council and their friends.

As we grow in numbers and new innovations from all of the Knights and their benefactors, we hope to do even more as the year ends.

Let me extend a whopping <u>THANKS</u> to all who made this possible!

Fraternally, Bob Bonza

Grand Knight

#### From the Deputy Grand Knight



#### Brothers:

Well here we are headed for the summer when vacations get started. We still have some work to do . here in the council at this time, too For the ones on vacation, have a great time and enjoy the family. When you get back we could use your help.

The June meeting is going to be busy with the election of new officers. We have a First Degree on the 16th and a pancake breakfast on the 28th. We know it won't be a big crowd for the breakfast but we do have many year round folks in the parish community who like the

breakfast We are also going to have a few days when we will be working some soup kitchens in the summer. One will be in July and one in August. The dates and places will be available shortly. They are short of labor in the summer so we can give a hand.

I am still waiting to hear if you know of some Brother Knight who is in need of monetary or labor help. We give a helping hand in total confidence. but we can't help anyone if we don't know of the need.

Thanks and have a great summer.

Brother Leon DGK.

### From the Chancellor



Our fiscal and calendar years come to an end June 30th with the election of new officers at the June 4th general meeting. Please be there and make your feelings known.

The rest of the month is rather light with our 1st degree exemplification on Tuesday, June 16th. For the 4th degree Knights we will host this month's Assembly meeting on Tuesday, June 23rd. We will have our monthly Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 28th.

It is with sadness that I note the passing of Joan Crawford the wife of our brother and my longtime friend Gary Crawford. Joan passes away toward the end of May. Please remember her in your prayers.

Finally, I would like to congratulate our outgoing Grand Knight, Bob Bonza on an outstanding year despite some tough scheduling problems, et al. I think that the organizational concepts and increased participation speak for themselves

Pray for our Council as we continue to progress in the future.

Fraternally, John Spike Dinneen 267-3774

#### **Committees Reports**

#### Committee #1

Admissions, Retention, Membership, Insurance Promotion, Recruitment

Thank you to all brothers who responded to our call to send in your dues ahead of the May 20th mailing date for the fiscal year 2009-2010 dues statements. Statement have been mailed to those brothers who did not get their dues in ahead of the May 20th mailing date. Now, we ask that these members respond quickly and send their checks to Financial Secretary Gary Kroeger at 9088 Whitfield Dr. Estero, FL. 33928 to avoid the necessity of mailing 2nd notices.

#### Committee #2

Communications, Public Relations, Youth Information

Currently, we are working on a telephone book addressed to businessmen in the K of C that will be distributed through out our council. So many times a new or seasoned member of our Council needs a particular service and after they have the service completed by an unknown outside business concern, they learn that we have a member in our Council who could have preformed the same service at

an equal or lesser cost.

This is a tool to be used by our members and will support our business members, but also, it is not in competition with our church bulletin.

#### Committee #3

Pro Life, Family, Vocations, Health

We have contacted the vocations office of the diocese and have received the name of our seminarian candidate. He is Joseph Gates. Our council will be sponsoring him as our candidate for the priesthood. He is in his first year of theology at St. Vincent De Paul regional seminary in Boynton Beach, FL.

A subcommittee is underway to investigate plans for family activity during the summer months and after. Picnics, social, a family retreat. breakfasts and other dinners are among the areas we are considering.

Sean C. James coordinator

#### Committee #4

Program Directing, Council Activities & Events.

After the votes are completed for the new year's officers, we will be meeting to set up a complete program for events for the year that are not now on the new calendar. Some of the events are helping to serve at a soup kitchen. We are getting volunteers to work the soup kitchen on July 23 and another on august 31st.

We will be solidifying the year's social evenings and picnics, and getting the families involved in breakfasts, corporate communions and dinners. We are already working Florida State web site is; up plans for the poker run 2010.

Tom Owens, Dave Erickson

Chairmen

#### **Upcoming Events**

Business meeting 7:30PM	6/04
1st degree exemplification	6/16
Social Evening	6/19
Fourth degree meeting	6/23
Committee meeting	6/25
Pancake breakfast	6/28

We will be voting for our 2009 -2010 officers at the regular business meeting on June 4th. Please plan to attend so your vote will count. The following knights have been placed in nomination by the nominating committee;

Grand Knight	Leon Quesnette
Deputy GK	John Dinneen
Advocate	Tony Cilluffo
Chancellor	Robert Haug
Warden	Pat Maley
Inside Guard	Dave Simmons
Outside Guard	Bill Banfield

All other positions will remain with current holders.

Other nominations may be taken from the floor.

The budget committee has determined that the 2009/2010 budget will be submitted for member review in the July issue of the Crusader and voted on at the August business meeting...

Brothers, remember to stay in touch with your council and other Knights of Columbus functions, events, and happenings. A good way to do this is to visit our web sites frequently.

Our council web site is; http://www.kofccouncil10498.org/

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www.floridastatecouncil.com/

Supreme's web site is; http://www.kofc.org/un/index.cfm

#### **Council News**

#### **Knight of the Month May:**

David W. Williams

#### Family of the Month May

Jay & Jolie Sauerwald

<b>Knights</b>	on	the	move	<u>.</u>
Receivin	g 2	nd l	Degre	e

Scott R Caycedo	4/22
Richard D. Montoro	4/22

## **Receiving 3rd Degree**

Patrick M. Kennedy	05/09
Scott R. Caycedo	05/09
Richard D. Montoro	05/09
Richard A. Krause	05/09

## New Transfer in

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## **Happy Birthday!**

Denis Benoit	6/03
Roland Jolie	6/07
Lawrence Cantwell	6/08
Joseph Grohal	6/09
DonaldLabonte	6/16
Robert Bonza	6/19
Frank Pomarico	6/19
William Baker	6/20
Leo Berger	6/21
George Van Nest	6/21
John McGrellis	6/25
Charles Yelle	6/25
Glenn Bright	6/27
Kenneth Kirgin	6/29

## Please Remember in your Prayers our Brother Knights and Others in need of our prayers:

Richard Krohn

Patricia Cilluffo

Don Joerger

Pat Fortuna

Michael Gederburg on death of his mother.

## Brothers and Others in need of prayers (cont.)

Janet Haug wife of Bob Haug - Home accident.

## **Brothers who have passed on**

Charter member of council 10498 Denis Benoit Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

#### Our Newsletter Boosters

James M. Angers,Lawrence E. Augustyn,William P. Baker,William T. Bannon,Patrick J. Becker,Daniel H. Beiter,Joseph T. Bell,John L. Benoit,Jack H. Berg,Leo E. Berger, Robert J. Bonza, Joseph W. Boss II, Roland W. Boyd, John K. Bradford, Glenn F. Bright, John J. Brown, George W. Brush, Joseph J. Buch, Stephen G. Burmeister, Michael C. Bursztyn, Dennis J. Cantwell, Lawrence E. Cantwell, Bruce A. Carr, Scott R. Cavcedo, Anthony F. Cilluffo, Norman C. Colby, John Colletti, Michael J. Conley, James A. Corneillie, John Costa, Gary V. Crawford, James K. Culley, Steven E. Cunningham, Peter A. D'Elia, David Diaz, John J. Dinneen, Joseph R. Drago, Peter J. Ennis, David A. Erickson, Paul T. Farr, Brian F. Farrar, Jeffrey A. Feasel, Patrick S. Fortuna, Everett J. Foster, Louis E. Frattarelli Sr, Timothy F. Freeland, michael T. Gederberg, Arthur Habighorst, Joseph W. Haley, Donald J. Hansen, Robert E. Haug, James P. Hawkins, Dean V. Hinderman, Robert F Hoffman, William G. Hoogland, James E. Howell, Ralph Hutchins, Natale J. Ippolito, Sean C. James, Gordon E. Jirak, Donald L. Joerger, Roland P. Jolie, Derrick J. Kahl, Eugene J. Kelly, Daniel A. Kerinuk, William J. Kienle, Donald J. King, Thomas J. Kinsella, Kenneth H. Kirgin, David T. Klare, Joseph F. Klempka, Julian P. Komeshak Richard A. Krause Gary A. Kroeger Gary F. Krueger Bruce D. Labreche Bruce J. Labreche Brent Labreche Ralph A. Lacivita Anthony E. Leonardi, William H. Lewis, John A. Liprie, Ronald J. LoFranco, Robert L. Lyons, Jeffery T. Maas, Dennis Madden, Patrick E. Maley Jr, Richard J. Malone, Herman J. Mancini Jerry D. Martin Mc Clure G. Mathews Alvin J. McCarthy James C. McDonagh John B. McGrellis Edward E. McOuillan Wyman L. Miller Jr. Alexander R. Miller, Richard D. Montoro, Matthew J. Mullen, Thomas A. Nerney, Richard J. Nuckols Jr, Robert E. Ott, Thomas H. Owens, Charles M. Paternoster, Gregory K. Pearl, Dr Anthony G. Pietroniro, Theodore F. Pizza, Raymond J. Pothier, Kevin M. Powers, Leon R. Quesnette Sr, Frank P. Ragonese, Edward Riley, Joseph F. Roach, Edward J. Roggemann, Fritz Roka, Raymond C. Ross, John E. Ruegg, John C. Ruehl, Glenn Sabatka, James W. Sauerwald, Sydney F. Schofield, Kent Schmitt, Lloyd J. Schultenover, Vincent A., Scola, Edward A., Sedillo, James P., Seymour, David C., Siler, Dave C., Simmons, Phil Simonsen, Roderick J., Stanley, William A., Stanley, Michael H. Stanton, Jim Stathopoulos, John E. Sullivan, Cass T. Swamba, Jerry Tant, Peter Thompson, Edward Trimmer, Javier Ubarri, John J. Uzdilla Jr, George A. VanNest, James O. Wahlig, Roland S. Walker, Edward C. Weil, III, Scott Weiss, James E. Welling, David W. Williams, Ronald J. Willing, Charles D. Yelle

#### In Case of Death

At the death of a Brother Knight, notify the Grand Knight or the next in charge, who will then contact the family and offer sympathy and help from the Council. The Council member contacting the family should ask whether a wake will be held and if so, whether the family would like the Council to do a rosary service. If a Mass will be offered the family should be asked if they would like a resolution of condolence to be presented. Any ceremonial presentation requested should be done only with permission of the clergy. If the deceased Brother is a 4th Degree member, the Grand Knight will notify the Insurance Field Agent and the Faithful Navigator of the Assembly.

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